Needham Youth Services

Youth Commission Meeting Notes

11/4/2015

Materials Distributed (both prior to and at the meeting): Agenda; Minutes of 9/9/2015; October Department Report; FY 2015 Statistical Summary of Services; The Emotional and Hidden Consequences of the Internet handout; Parent Talk Lecture Series document; and Babysitter Training Seminar flyer.

• Accepted Minutes of 10/14/2015

• Guest: Assistant Town Manager Christopher Coleman

Christopher discussed and answered question regarding the future of the department as well as a range of general questions regarding the town.

• Community Focus (none)

• Youth Services' 50th Anniversary Discussion

Discussed the upcoming 50th --- word clouds, icons, etc. Special thanks to Kevin. Jon and Kevin will meet prior to the December meeting to continue the dialogue regarding this matter.

• Program Update:

- Update on the Domestic Violence Action Committee.
- Update on the Youth Resource Network.
- Update on VIP Program.
- Update on Peer Tutor Program
- Update on "A Conversation..."; program held on 10/27 (next program on 11/17)
- Update on Forde Award 2016: expect an announcement in the days ahead.
- Addressed the Special Education Parent Action Committee on "Anxiety."
- Will be addressing members of the First Parish Church on 10/26.
- Will be addressing parents as part of the middle school parenting conference on 11/21.
- Will be addressing parents as part of the high school parenting conference on 1/23/2016.
- Will be addressing the Newman and Broadmeadow PTC's in the months ahead.
- Will be addressing parents at St. Joes on 11/13.
- Addressing the Board of Selectmen on 11/10.
- Facilitating a pilot program for students at NHS on depression and suicide.
- Discussed the Internship collaborative.
- Babysitter Training Seminars for this academic year have already begun.
- We will be working with 4th graders at the Newman School on a special program.

• FY 2017 Update:

The FY 2017 budget was submitted to Christopher Coleman, and the next step in the process is a meeting with the Town Manager and Assistant Town managers Dave Davison and Christopher Coleman on 11/13.

• Old/New Business:

• Adjourn:

Members Present: Karen Folb, Julie Stevens, David Bookston, Kevin Keane, Sonia Raja, and Jilliam Smith

Guest: Christopher Coleman:

Staff Present: Jon Mattleman, Katy Colthart, and Liz Loveless

Notes By: Jon Mattleman